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In re application of : Satoshi KIDOOKA
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Group Art Unit: 3763

Examiner: Ann Y. CAM

THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.111 in the above-captioned application.

☐ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

☐ A Request for Extension of Time.

☒ No Additional Fee.

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Claims After Amendment	No. Claims Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity		Other Than A Small Entity	
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Total Claims: 16	*20	0	x 9=	\$	x 18=	\$0.00
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Multiple Dependent Claims Presented			140=	\$	+280=	\$0.00
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☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.

☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17, including any required extension of time fees in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for extension of time for its timely submission (37 CFR 1.136)(a)(3).

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of April 10, 2002, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on July 10, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein-contained amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows (**a marked-up copy of the amended claims is provided at the end of this response**):

2. (Amended - Clean Copy) The instrument of claim 1, wherein a wall surface extending between the outer periphery of the ejection hole and the annular, protruded wall is defined by a tapered surface or a curved, concave surface.

3. (Amended- Clean Copy) The instrument of claim 1, wherein a wall surface extending between the outer periphery of the ejection hole and the annular, protruded wall is defined by a planar surface perpendicular to an axis of the ejection hole.